

Tohono Chul Park/Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR)
2004 Xeriscape Contest – Professional Category Entry Rules

PURPOSE: Tohono Chul Park and ADWR are partnering on this Xeriscape Contest to promote the use of native plants, water use awareness and commitment to the long-term resolution of water supply issues in the Tucson Basin. The intent of this contest is to increase awareness within our community of the aesthetic quality attainable by incorporating Xeriscape principles in public and private landscapes while reducing water use, costs and maintenance. The goal is to recognize and honor people who have designed and implemented Xeriscape landscapes that are water efficient.

Xeriscape Principles:

- ◆ Water conserving design
- ◆ Reduction in high-water-using turf or plants
- ◆ Proper maintenance practices
- ◆ Use of low-water-use/drought-tolerant plants zoned by water use (special emphasis on native plants)
- ◆ Incorporation of rainwater-harvesting techniques
- ◆ Soil improvement and use of mulches to retain moisture and reduce evaporation.
- ◆ Appropriate and efficient irrigation methods and water-efficient scheduling by plant type, site conditions and seasonal water needs.

ELIGIBILITY: Any Xeriscape landscape that has been installed a **minimum of 2 years**, in the greater metropolitan Tucson Area. Due to time constraints, entries from outlying areas (e.g. Vail, Green Valley, Sahuarita) may be judged solely using photographs submitted with the application, rather than through a site visit.

ENTRY RULES: Each entry must submit an **Entry Form and a Judges Form** accompanied by a check for **\$75.00** by the deadline of: **Monday, March 29, 2004.** Make checks payable to: **Tohono Chul Park - 2004 Xeriscape Contest.**

1. Each entry must include a reduced set of landscape plans (reduced to 8½” x 11” or 8 ½” x 14” paper) including a plant list, irrigation method(s) used (drip, spray, etc.), components (clock, individual valves, etc.), and seasonal irrigation schedules. A **one-paragraph description or site analysis** may be included along with any exemplary examples of water- use efficiency incorporated into the design (or retrofit) that you would like the judges to consider.
2. Each entry must submit a **minimum of three (3) and maximum of six (6) 35 mm slides**, non-returnable. Digital photos may be submitted via email or on CD, however **slides are still required.** Slides must be labeled with the following information: a) name of the project (name of resident, building, company, government entity or, in the case of medians or rights-of-way include the street name with nearest cross street), b) the name of the designer and c) the contest year (e.g. 2004). In the case of a retrofit, please indicate “before” and “after” on the slides and try to photograph the site from the same spot for both. **Slides of each entry will be viewed by the judges prior to the site visit.**
3. Each entry must submit the Judge’s Form with the top portion of the form completed (form provided).
4. If you would like your entry considered for a **Water Conservation Award**, you must also submit a completed Volume-based Audit Worksheet (form provided). Otherwise, the water-audit form is optional.
5. A street map marking the location of the project (e.g. Map Guide, or copy from Tucson Street Atlas) and write out clear directions to the site, give us the easiest route please!
6. **Professional photographs of each landscape will be taken on judging day. Therefore, all plants should be sufficiently watered (e.g. not wilted), hardscape should be clean and planting areas well maintained.**

Mail with a check or money order for all entries to: Tohono Chul Park
Attention: Xeriscape Contest
7366 N. Paseo del Norte
Tucson, AZ 85704



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2004 Xeriscape Contest
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION
APPLICATION FORM



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INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this form and JUDGES FORM (fill in the information above "Judge's
Instructions). If you would like your entry to be considered for a Water Conservation Award you must also
complete the "Volume Based Audit Worksheet" (provided). Enclose a check for \$75.00 made payable to:
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ENTRANT'S NAME: _____ PHONE: _____
(as it would appear on award)

BUSINESS NAME/ ADDRESS: _____

FAX: _____ EMAIL: _____

DESIGNER _____

INSTALLER(S) /CONTRACTOR(S) _____

Client Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Zip _____

MAJOR CROSS STREETS _____

Please attach a map so the judges can find your project, Thanks

Who should we notify of the judging date and for site accessibility info (e.g. dogs, guardhouse permission, etc.)

OWNER _____
Name Phone #

If your entry is selected for an award who should be invited to accept the award:

NAME/TITLE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

Would you like us to invite your client to the awards ceremony if you are receiving an award? ___ yes ___ no

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